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IN THE ABSTRACT:

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A method of separating compounds that includes the steps of: tagging at least a first organic compound with a first tagging moiety to result in a first tagged compound; tagging at least a second organic compound with a second tagging moiety different from the first tagging moiety to result in a second tagged compound; and separating the first tagged compound from a mixture including the second tagged compound using a separation technique based upon differences between the first tagging moiety and the second tagging moiety. The present invention also provides a method for carrying out a chemical reaction including the steps of: tagging a plurality of compounds with different tagging moieties to create tagged compounds, conducting at least one chemical reaction on a mixture of the tagged compounds to produce a mixture of tagged products, and separating the mixture of tagged products by a separation technique based upon differences in the tagging moieties.